

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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| In the Matter of the Application of Lake |) | |
| Region Water & Sewer Company for a |) | |
| Certificate of Convenience and Necessity |) | |
| Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, |) | |
| Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain a |) | <u>Case No. WA-2005-0463 et al.</u> |
| Water and Sewer System for the Public |) | |
| Located in an Unincorporated Area in |) | |
| Camden County, Missouri. |) | |

THIRD REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through Counsel, and for its *Third Request for Extension of Time* states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission").

1. On October 25, 2005, Staff requested an extension of time to file its recommendation so that it could continue to obtain data, assist in mediation between the parties, and assist in finalizing an agreement with those parties with regard to the pipeline extension contracts.

2. In its November 4, 2005, *Order Extending Time for Staff to File A Recommendation*, the Commission approved Staff's Request, thereby extending the date to December 27, 2005.

3. During Staff's continued involvement and investigation in this case, it has been determined that the applicants are still in talks regarding acceptable contract language. As of this date, there are still issues regarding said language. Talks with the applicant reveal that more time is needed to finalize the contract between the parties.

4. Staff requests an extension to February 27, 2006, so that it can continue to obtain data and assist in mediating negotiations for the contract between the applicants and the developers. Staff believes that after these tasks are completed, a recommendation can be made in this matter.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully submits this *Third Request for Extension of Time* to the Commission.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted via e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 27th day of December 2005.

/s/ Mary E. Weston

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